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MY MOM and ET

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You've probably heard a lot about ET CHOICES, the Employment and Training program in Massachusetts. You may have heard that every month ET helps over 600 people find full-time jobs that pay at least $13,000 a year. But what you haven't heard about is their kids.

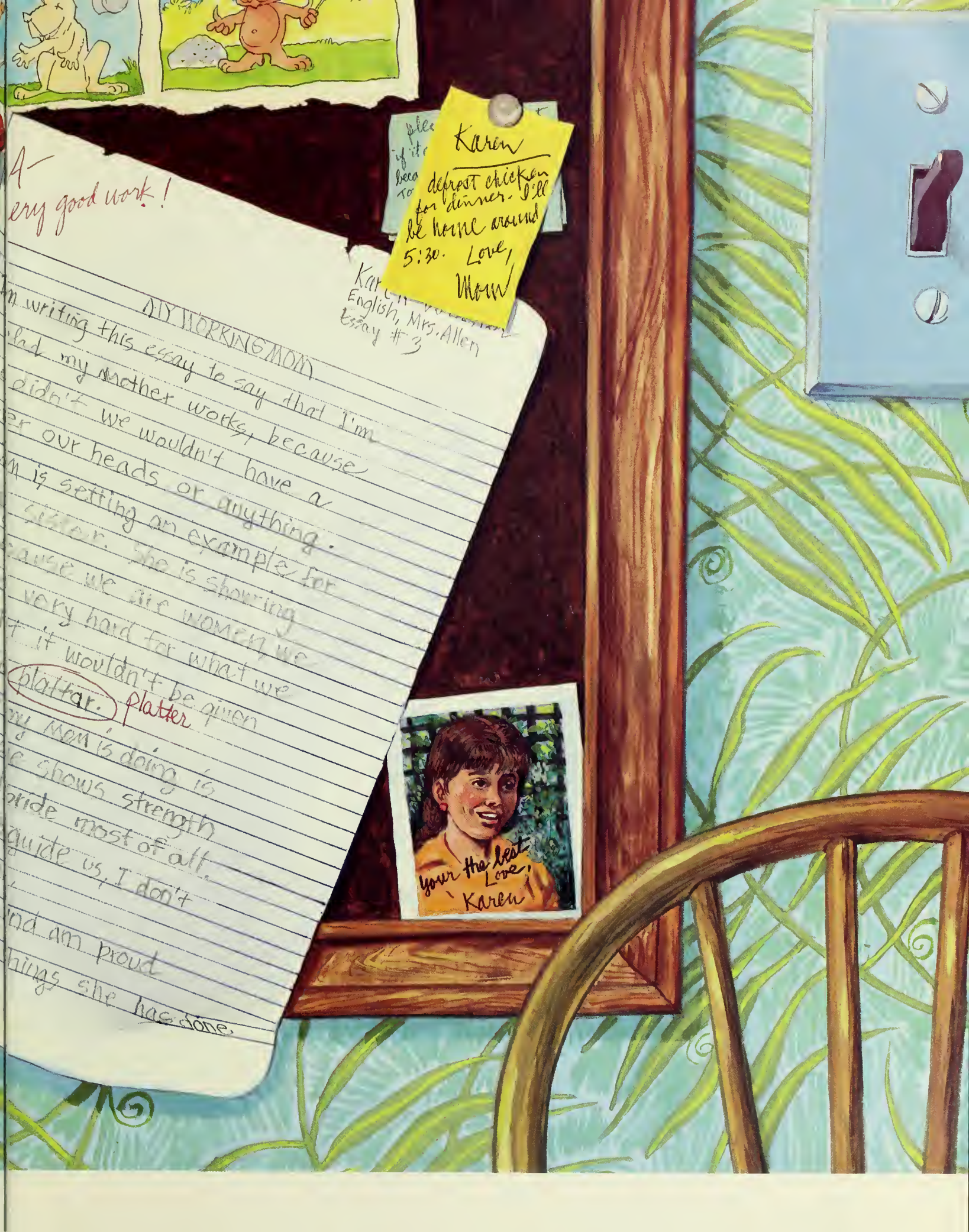
Children can benefit in ways you might not have thought of, but there are benefits many children *have* thought of. Here at ET CHOICES, people have shared letters, essays, and other writings from kids telling how they feel about their mothers working. They tell of the pride children feel about their mothers working, and they tell of the ways they feel better about themselves.

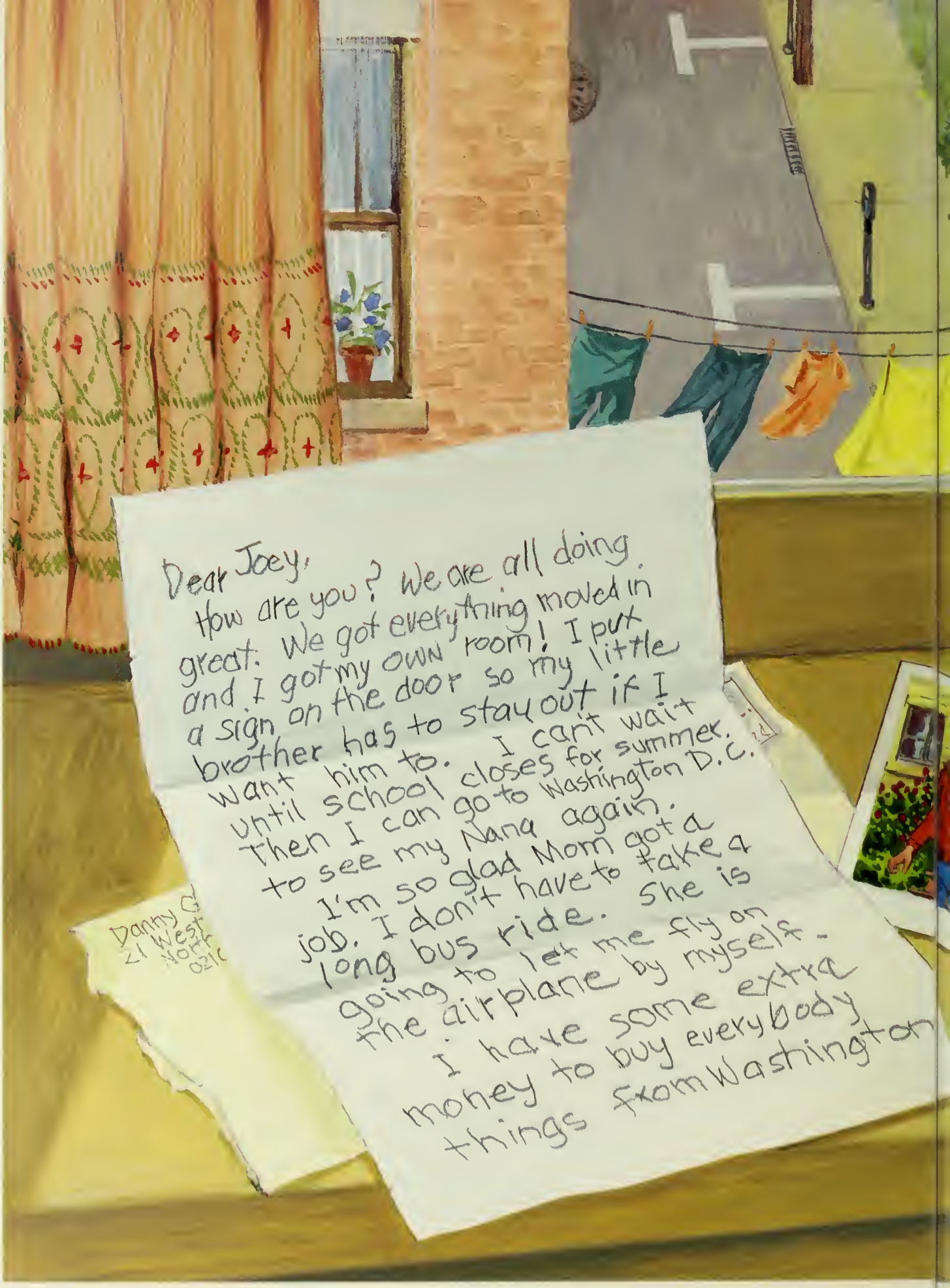
Take a few minutes to sit down and look at these three snapshots of children's lives. They are all examples of the many ways ET can make a child's life a little better. They will surely touch your heart.

Your children . . .
Another good reason to think about
ET CHOICES.

MY MOM
and ET

Karen W. Age 13


Karen
defrost chicken for dinner. I'll be home around 5:30. Love, Mom
A-
very good work!
Karen
English, Mrs. Allen
Essay #3
MY WORKING MOM
I'm writing this essay to say that I'm
glad my mother works, because
if she didn't we wouldn't have a
lot more over heads or anything.
My mom is setting an example for
me and my sister. She is showing
us because we are women we
can work very hard for what we
want if it wouldn't be given
to us on a platter. platter
One thing my mom is doing is
showing us she shows strength
and pride most of all.
She tries to guide us, I don't
always mind and am proud
of the things she has done.
your the best
Love,
Karen


Dear Joey,
How are you? We are all doing great. We got everything moved in and I got my own room! I put a sign on the door so my little brother has to stay out if I want him to. I can't wait until school closes for summer. Then I can go to Washington D.C. to see my Nana again. I'm so glad Mom got a job. I don't have to take a long bus ride. She is going to let me fly on the airplane by myself. I have some extra money to buy everybody things from Washington

Danny G. Age 9

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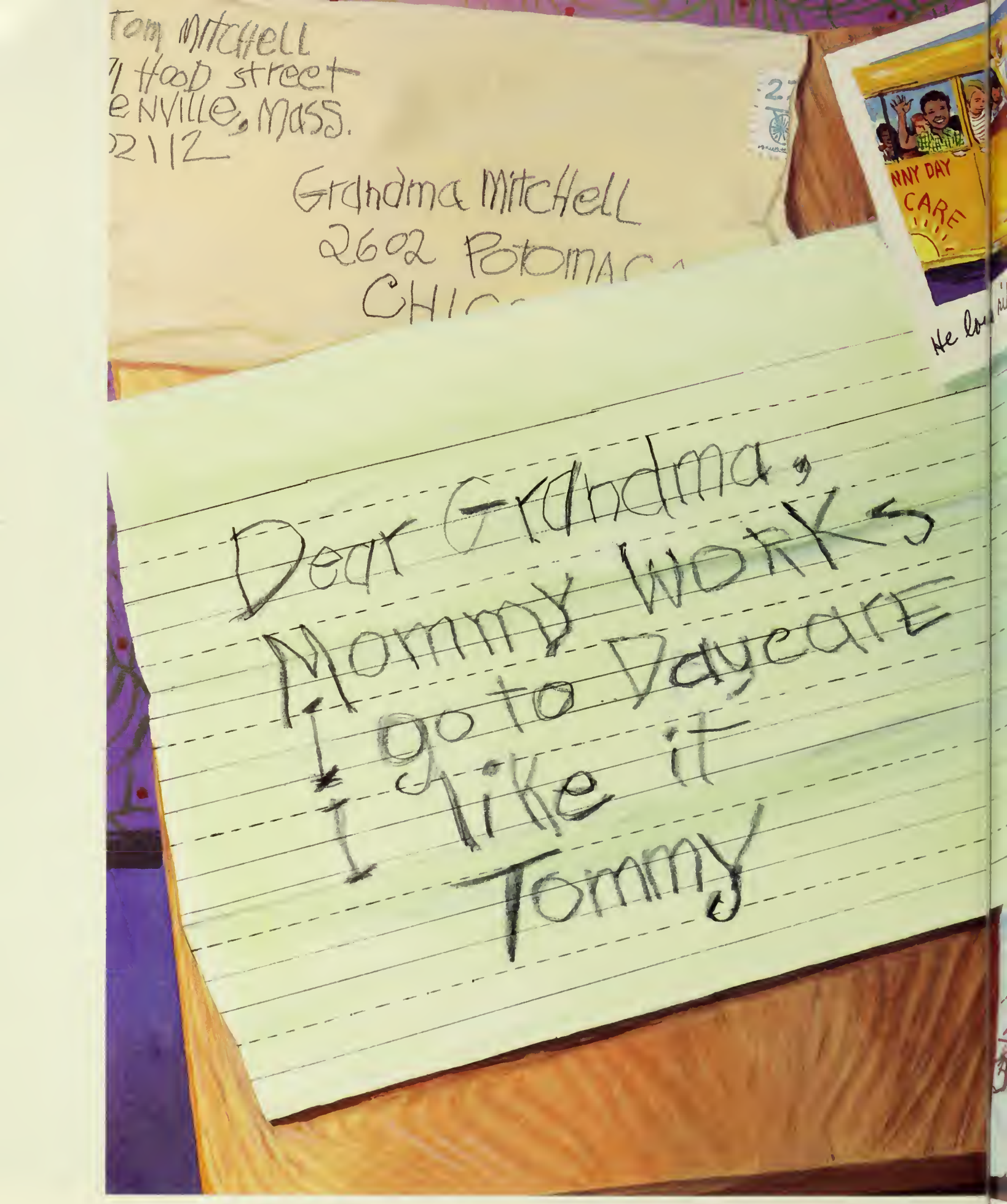
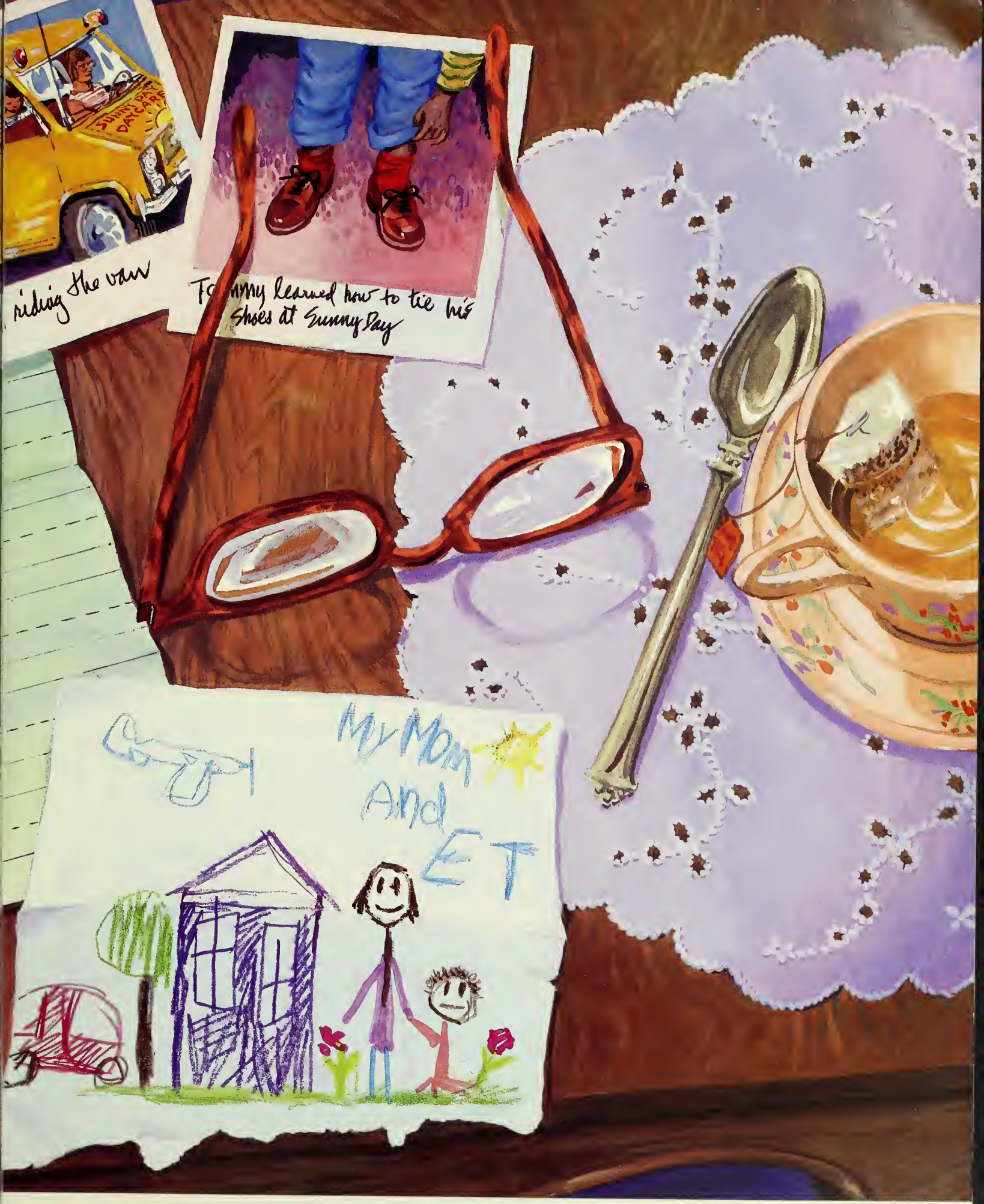
RING


Tom Mitchell
7 Hood street
eNVille, Mass.
2112
Grandma Mitchell
2602 Potomac
CHIC
NNY DAY
CARE
He lov
Dear Grandma,
Mommy works
I go to Dayeare
I like it
Tommy

Tommy M. Age 5


riding the van
Tommy learned how to tie his shoes at Sunny Day
My Mom And ET

"To me she shows strength and courage, and pride most of all."

As you can see, a good paycheck, self-esteem, and respect from others aren't the only benefits of working. Your children can benefit more than you think.

Getting a good paying job that will lead to a career may seem like just a dream, but it doesn't have to be. ET CHOICES can help make your dream a reality.

ET is a free program offered by Your Department of Public Welfare that gets you what you need to get into a career and off welfare for good.

There are four parts to ET:

- The Employment Network—if you know what you want to do, and have the necessary training, The Employment Network can get you a job fast!
- Supported Work—if you feel you've been out of the job market too long, get on-the-job training with Supported Work. Then you can move right into the job at full salary and benefits.
- Education and Training—if you know what career you want, but don't have the skills you need, you can get them through Education and Training.
- Career Planning—if you've never worked before, or don't know what you want to do, Career Planning can get you headed in the right direction.

It isn't always easy to get off welfare and into a career, especially when you have children to care for. ET can get you on the right track—and help with childcare to make it easier. In addition to free childcare while in ET, you can also get free transportation.

Find out more about ET CHOICES by mailing the enclosed card. You'll get up-to-date information which answers your questions about ET.

If you are already in ET, have your children send something in. We'd like to hear how ET has helped *your* children's lives.

Please send my free copy of the ET Buyer's Guide and have an ET CHOICES Representative contact me *right away!*

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/town _____ Zip _____

Phone number (_____) _____ - _____

Do you know someone else who can benefit from ET CHOICES? Pass the opportunity along!

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